EXHIBIT A

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

| KIMBRA CRISWELL, |) | | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | | |
| v. |) | Civil Action No.: 05-CV-321 | (GMS) |
| LYDIA ADAIR MCFADDEN, |) | | |
| Defendant. | j j | | |

SCHEDULING ORDER

The Court having conducted a scheduling teleconference pursuant to Local Rule 16.2(b) on April 11, 2006, and the parties having determined after discussion that the matter cannot be resolved at this juncture by settlement, voluntary mediation or binding arbitration;

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. <u>Discovery</u>. All fact discovery in this case shall be initiated so that it will be completed on or before <u>October 11, 2006</u>. Expert discovery in this case shall be initiated so that it will be completed on or before <u>January 17, 2007</u>. Expert reports shall be served on or before <u>November 27, 2006</u>, and rebuttal expert reports shall be served on or before <u>January 17, 2007</u>.
- a. <u>Discovery Matters</u>. Should counsel find they are unable to resolve a discovery matter, the party seeking the relief shall contact chambers at (302) 573-6470 to schedule a telephone conference. Not less than forty-eight hours prior to the conference, by hand delivery or facsimile at (302) 573-6472, the party seeking relief shall file with the court a letter agenda not to exceed two (2) pages outlining the issues in dispute. Should the court find further briefing necessary upon conclusion of the telephone conference, the court shall order the party seeking relief to file with the court a <u>TWO PAGE LETTER</u>, exclusive of exhibits, describing the issues in contention. The responding party shall file within five (5) days from the date of service of the opening letter an

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answering letter of no more than TWO PAGES. The party seeking relief may then file a reply letter of no more than TWO PAGES within three (3) days from the date of service of the answering letter.

2. Confidential Information and Papers filed under Seal. Should counsel find it will be necessary to apply to the court for a protective order specifying terms and conditions for the disclosure of confidential information, they should confer and attempt to reach an agreement on a proposed form of order and submit it to the court within 10 days from the date of this order. When filing papers under seal, counsel should deliver to the Clerk an original and two copies of the papers.

If after making a diligent effort the parties are unable to agree on the contents of the joint proposed protective order, then they shall follow the dispute resolution process outlined in paragraph 3(a).

- 3. Settlement Conference. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §636, this matter is referred to the United States Magistrate for the purpose of exploring the possibility of a settlement. If the parties agree that the possibility of settlement may be enhanced by such referral, the parties shall contact Magistrate Judge Thynge to schedule a settlement conference with counsel and clients.
- 4. Case Dispositive Motions. All case dispositive motions and an opening brief and affidavits, if any, in support of the motion shall be served and filed on or before October 26, 2006. Briefing will be presented pursuant to the Court's Local Rules, unless the parties agree to an alternative briefing schedule. Any such agreement shall be in writing and filed with the Court for the Court's approval.
- 5. Applications by Motion. Except as provided in this Order or for matters relating to scheduling, any application to the Court shall be by written motion filed with the Clerk. Unless otherwise requested by the Court, counsel shall not deliver copies of papers or correspondence to Chambers. Any non-dispositive motion should contain the statement required by Local Rule 7.1.1.

6. **Oral Argument**. If the Court believes that oral argument is necessary, the Court will

schedule a hearing Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1.4.

7. Pretrial Conference. On April 3, 2007, the Court will hold a Pretrial Conference in

Chambers with counsel beginning at 11:00 a.m. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the parties

should assume that filing the pretrial order satisfies the pretrial disclosure requirement in Federal

Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(3). Thirty (30) days before the joint proposed pretrial order is due,

plaintiff's counsel shall forward to defendant's counsel a draft of the pretrial order containing the

information plaintiff proposes to include in the draft. Defendant's counsel shall, in turn, provide to

plaintiff's counsel any comments on the plaintiff's draft as well as the information defendant

proposes to include in the proposed pretrial order. Motions in limine: No party shall file more than

ten (10) motions in limine. Briefs (opening, answering and reply) on all motions in limine shall

be filed by March 12, 2007. Opening and answering briefs shall not exceed five (5) pages and reply

briefs shall not exceed three (3) pages. The parties shall file with the court the joint proposed final

pretrial order with the information required by the form of Final Pretrial Order which can be located

on the Court's website on or before March 12, 2007.

8. Trial. This matter is scheduled for a 4-day Jury Trial beginning at 9:00 a.m. on April

23, 2007.

9. Scheduling. The parties shall contact chambers, at (302) 573-6470, only in

situations where scheduling relief is sought, and only then when ALL participating counsel

is on the line for purposes of selecting a new date.

Date: April 12, 2006

/s/ Gregory M. Sleet

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

EXHIBIT B

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RE: Criswell v. McFadden and Christiana Care Health Services, Inc.

C.A. No.: 05-CV-00321 GMS W&W File No.: 783704-D0033

Dear Nelson:

As you are aware, the deadline for a defense expert report in the above-referenced case is January 17, 2007, and to date we have not received an expert report from Plaintiff, which was due on November 27, 2006. As it stands, CCHS takes the position that Plaintiff will be unable to prove damages at trial without expert testimony. Due to CCHS' impending deadline, it will be necessary to inform the Court of such. It is impossible for CCHS' expert to prepare a rebuttal report without an initial report from Plaintiff.

Very truly yours,

WHITE AND WILLIAMS LLP

Ву:

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EXHIBIT C

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Re: <u>Criswell v. Lydia Adair McFadden/Christiana Care Health</u>
U.S.D.C. Delaware C.A. No. 05-CV-00321-GMS

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed you will find a complete copy of the Plaintiff's medical records and reports. See attached list. Please be advised that Plaintiff reserves the right to call these physicians at Trial as experts to testify as to Ms. Criswell's diagnoses, prognosis and injuries caused by the incident.

Further, pursuant to the deposition testimony of Ms. Criswell relative to wage loss and loss of future earnings, I have enclosed the Curriculum Vitae of Royal T. Bunin as Plaintiff's economic expert. His report will be provided upon receipt.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures